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Case 7343M

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the matter of :
U.S. National Phase Entry :
Under 35 USC 371 from :
the International Application of :
BODET, Jean-Francois et al. :
Int'l Application No. PCT/US99/27182 :
Filed in the RO/US on 16 November 1999 :
Entitled: Ultrasonic Cleaning Compositions :

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Before computing the fees for entering the captioned International Application into the
U.S. National Phase, please enter the following amendments **IN THE CLAIMS**:

Please cancel claims 1-16.

Please insert new Claims 17-34.

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17. (New) An ultrasonic cleaning composition comprising from about 0.001% to about 99%, by weight of composition, of an ultrasonic cleaning agent wherein said composition is low foaming, has an inter facial tension of from about 10 mNm⁻¹ to about 0.0001 mNm⁻¹, and is substantially free of antifoaming agents.
18. (New) An ultrasonic cleaning composition according to claim 17 wherein said composition has an inter facial tension of from about 0.0001 mNm⁻¹ to about 1 mNm⁻¹.
- Sub B' 19. (New) An ultrasonic cleaning composition according to claim 17 wherein said ultrasonic cleaning agent is selected from the group consisting of builders, surfactants, enzymes, bleach activators, bleach catalysts, bleach boosters, bleaches, alkalinity sources,